

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8680**
Masaru NONOMURA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005_0057A
Serial No. 10/523,196 : Group Art Unit 1793
Filed January 27, 2005 : Examiner Michael Aboagye

METHOD, APPARATUS AND PROGRAM OF
THERMAL ANALYSIS, HEAT CONTROLLER
AND HEATING FURNACE USING THE METHOD

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of April 17, 2008, Applicants hereby elect **Group I**, which is drawn to a method of thermal analysis and is embodied by claims 44-60 and 83. Accordingly, since Group I has been elected, Applicants further elect **Species 1A**, which is drawn to a thermal analysis by single location. Note, that claims 44-53 read on the elected species.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected group is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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